

Reading Title: The Fighting Ground

Directions: The Fighting Ground is a book about a 15-year-old boy named Jonathan who lived in Trenton, New Jersey. This book is set during the American Revolutionary war. Jonathan is the only boy in his family who had not gone to war so he was waiting for his turn to go to war. Then one day, the bell rang at the Tavern and Jonathan went to go see what was happening. A Corporal was at the Tavern recruiting men to fight the Hessians (German Mercenaries serving for the British in the Revolution). The men of the town thought Jonathan was too young, but the Corporal took him anyway. So Jonathan was on his way to war, the one thing he was dreaming of doing for almost half of his life.

Review each statement and either support or refute it. You will write one to two sentences that support your decision.

Statement 1: Jonathan, who is afraid of the Hessian soldiers, acts like he is glad to be with them.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Support	Refute	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agree			Disagree

Statement 2: Jonathan warns the Hessian soldiers- did he make the right decision?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Support	Refute	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agree			Disagree

Statement 3: The character of the young orphaned boy is an integral part in the story.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Support	Refute	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agree			Disagree

**Statement 4: Jonathan put his family in turmoil by leaving that day for the Tavern.
Was he just in leaving to fight in the Revolutionary war?**

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Agree

Support

Refute

☐

Disagree

**Statement 5: Jonathan doesn't understand his father's greatest fear until he has
experienced war himself. Do you think it should have taken a war for him to realize
the fear or not?**

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Agree

Support

Refute

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Disagree